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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Hon. Commissioner of Patents
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.96, 1.97, and 1.98, the applicants request consideration of the documents listed on Form PTO-1449 and submitted herewith.

The applicants do not waive any rights to appropriate action to establish patentability over any of the listed documents should they be applied as references against the claims of the present application. This statement should not be construed as a representation that more material information does not exist or that an exhaustive search of the relevant art has been made.


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The applicants respectfully request consideration of the cited documents and making the same of record in the prosecution of the above-captioned application. Since this Information Disclosure Statement is filed along with a Request for Continued Examination, the applicants believe that no fee is required for the submission of this Information Disclosure Statement.

However, if any fee is necessary for the filing of this document, it may be charged to our Deposit Account No. 03-3975 under Order No. 021123-0271649.

Respectfully submitted,

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